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This Bulletin, issued by the Commonwealth Statistician, shows the monthly factory production in Victoria of certain commodities. For the purpose of the accompanying statistics a "factory" is defined as an industrial establishment in which four or more hands are employed or in which power other than hand is used. Monthly averages for the years 1938-39, 1947-48, 1948-49 and 1949-50, and monthly production for the latest six months (December, 1950 to May, 1951) are shown.

Many of the items included here are shown in greater detail in other publications of the Bureau.

Figures of the production of each of the commodities listed are given up to the latest available month. For each commodity the Authority responsible for the present collection is indicated alongside the title. Figures up to 1948-49 inclusive are taken from the Government Statistician's annual factory returns wherever possible. It should be noted that in some cases annual returns are accepted from factories for periods other than those ending on June 30th, each year.

The scope of the bulletin will be widened from time to time to include new information as it becomes available.

The following symbols are used in this bulletin -

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- Nil or less than half the final digit normally shown.

* Figure revised.

A blank space in a column of figures means that figures for the Month concerned are not yet available.

Commodity	Source	Unit	Monthly Averages				Monthly Production					
			Year				1950	1951				
			1938-39	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
FUEL:												
Briquettes	G.S.	Tons	33,329	45,436	46,558	48,464	20,108	46,117	44,440	52,898	45,057	47,061
Black Coal	J.C.B.	"	26,900	13,500	12,900	11,684	11,073	11,020	10,700	7,913	11,830	12,645
Brown Coal	G.S.	"	303,624	534,623	585,044	634,997	441,345	569,019	555,324	638,669	619,044	695,492
HEAT LIGHT & POWER:												
Gas made in Gasworks	G.S.	Mill.Cu.Ft.	594	1,014	1,009	884	875	816	645	734	898	1,051
Total Electricity Generated	G.S.	Mill.K.W.H.	102	188	209	226	211	218	218	223	234	250
BUILDING MATERIALS:												
Bricks	M.P.D.	'000	16,437	11,807	12,754	11,543	11,452	11,081	12,436	12,934	12,741	
Fibrous Plaster	M.P.D.	'000 Sq.Yds.	273	458	510	450	277	315	414	396	413	
Tiles - Cement	M.P.D.	'000	252	1,084	1,290	1,539	1,243	1,097	1,628	1,652	1,707	
" Terra Cotta	M.P.D.	'000	1,145	920	915	943	797	767	1,030	958	891	
Sawn Native Timber	F.A.	'000 Sup.Ft.	10,016	21,709	23,488	26,173	18,564	20,067	26,390	26,737		
CHEMICALS & ALLIED PRODUCTS:												
Soap - Household	G.S.	Cwt.	16,024	14,689	16,592(a)	17,432	15,809	15,284	20,544	18,626	24,763	23,118
- Toilet & Hand	G.S.	"	1,489	2,617	3,934	4,647	3,695	4,728	4,035	4,540	5,345	5,275
- Flakes & Chips	G.S.	"	..	1,771	1,940	(b)	1,962	1,540	2,455	2,001	2,887	2,711
- Industrial	G.S.	"	..	2,425	3,008	)	* 727	* 1,652	2,947	2,685	3,369	3,571
- Sand	G.S.	"	3,156	1,954	673	4,967	* 1,065	* 1,055	* 1,169	* 1,125	* 968	1,143
- Soft	G.S.	"	445	764	486	)	* 594	* 618	588	627	578	507
- Liquid	G.S.	"	..	1,332	1,663	)	* 1,866	* 1,888	2,196	2,081	2,344	2,519
Soap Extracts & Powders	G.S.	"	10,277	18,162	20,746	23,242	18,520	21,203	22,492	19,669	33,937	25,434
Superphosphate	C & A	Tons	39,854	37,464	49,679	51,497	30,502	58,255	45,744	50,157	54,212	66,662
Sulphuric Acid	G.S.	"	16,543	14,801	19,333	19,945	15,033	20,522	18,422	20,531	21,322	24,375
REFINED METALS:												
Gold	M.D.	Fine Ozs.	12,373	6,846	5,540	5,214	5,430	1,582	5,018	5,479	4,667	4,750
BUILDING FITTINGS:												
Stoves - Solid Fuel (c)	G.S.	Number	1,439	759	914	931	916	858	1,136	1,241	1,384	1,538
- Gas (c)	G.S.	"	1,987	1,274	1,460	1,343	1,124	793	1,283	1,517	1,463	1,581
Coppers - Gas	G.S.	"	..	229	359	709	665	176	415	850	740	780
Bath Heaters - Solid Fuel	G.S.	"	..	586	523	759	638	377	723	752	883	948
- Gas	G.S.	"	..	556	458	247	619	392	770	672	* 919	713
Pans, Pedestal Earthenware	G.S.	"	..	..	..	2,970	1,828	2,247	2,404	3,359	* 3,056	3,357
Sinks, Stainless Steel	G.S.	"	..	3,913	4,008	4,176	3,572	3,288	4,698	3,931	4,936	5,866
PEDAL CYCLES:(made and/or assembled)	G.S.	"	2,581	3,109	2,635	2,901	3,138	2,769	2,841	2,534	2,408	2,801

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ELECTRIC MOTORS: (d)												
Under 1 H.P.	G.S.	Number	..	(e)1,226	3,729	4,170	4,023	3,226	4,383	4,356	4,771	6,913
1 H.P. and under 2½ H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	634	985	589	627	901	592	1,040	558
2½ " " " 5 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	..	505	98	320	394	115	470	331
5 " " " 10 H.P.	G.S.	"	..	..	..	158	75	44	117	248	131	148
COTTON SEWING THREAD: (counts over 12)	G.S.	lb.	..	..	..	42,257	51,450	45,152	74,728	62,276	73,348	77,819
COTTON TWEEDS:	G.S.	Sq.Yds.	154,435	59,620	68,863	79,003	62,426	64,819	89,708	90,319	89,849	89,739
WOOL TEXTILES:												
Scoured Wool (f)	G.S.	'000 lb.	3,172	5,864	5,153	4,698	3,348	3,351	4,098	3,811	4,306	4,542
Wool Tops	G.S.	"	936	1,705	1,323	1,166	753	904	1,084	1,087	1,164	1,263
Yarn - Worsted	G.S.	"	612	1,111	1,137	1,092	740	730	864	908	915	1,029
- Woollen	G.S.	"	731	1,268	1,186	1,173	828	787	922	988	1,029	1,196
Woven Cloth	G.S.	'000 Sq.Yds.	1,415	1,830	1,891	1,749	1,298	1,322	1,532	1,524	1,804	1,774
HOSIERY:												
Women's, Maids, Girls'												
Full Fashioned & Circular	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	..	..	..	81,134	76,446	56,895	90,970	91,336	99,795	106,976
Anklelets	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	21,659	16,166	16,594	27,096	24,055	23,551	25,296
Men's & Boy's	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	87,976	83,608	72,873	98,663	94,896	117,419	124,011
Children's	G.S.	" "	..	..	..	32,651	29,452	23,858	33,631	36,152	33,716	38,098
KNITTED UNDERWEAR:												
Men's	G.S.	Doz.	(g)91,941	27,258	24,064	39,879	30,477	26,840	33,140	30,832	36,012	42,411
Women's	G.S.	"	(h)	67,687	62,523	77,575	72,694	57,036	73,564	69,060	78,061	77,744
Children's	G.S.	"	(h)	20,926	16,103	25,140	22,465	15,649	23,929	24,111	29,719	29,577
KNITTED OUTERWEAR												
Cardigans, Jumpers, Sweaters etc.												
Men's & Women's	G.S.	"	16,301	18,471	18,487	20,400	18,623	16,330	22,857	23,249	24,711	28,950
Boy's & Girls'	G.S.	"	4,420	7,604	8,404	6,706	7,449	6,931	7,453	6,878	8,391	9,153
Bathing Suits	G.S.	"	1,944	2,440	1,757	1,839	1,038	490	262	80	38	97
CLOTHING: (except knitted)												
Shirts - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	22,581	21,285	21,968	23,963	24,414	14,560	27,028	24,205	23,492	32,240
Pyjama Suits - Men's & Boys'	G.S.	"	6,097	5,089	6,637	6,380	3,457	2,540	6,268	5,227	6,100	6,710
GLOVES: (not rubber)												
Dress - Leather	G.S.	Doz.Prs.	77	2,722	2,605	1,510	1,002	790	1,208	1,398	1,125	1,234
- Fabric	G.S.	" "	..	2,790	1,788	2,007	1,778	1,420	2,626	2,898	2,307	2,280
Work	G.S.	" "	1,187	1,510	1,309	1,211	855	888	1,025	1,255	1,193	1,293

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FOOTWEAR: (not rubber) Boots & Shoes	G.S.	'000 Prs.	622	651	610	634	507	491	633	601	671	738
Sandals	G.S.	" "	..	50	65	51	51	41	51	45	46	63
Slippers	G.S.	" "	352	396	379	358	276	239	322	342	408	385
FOOD, DRINK & TOBACCO:												
Flour (from Wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	36,402	40,651	38,982	36,195	25,687	37,218	35,556	36,571	39,264	42,079
Biscuits	G.S.	'000 lb.	1,697	2,540	2,677	2,731	2,637	2,073	1,947	2,588	2,787	3,930
Confectionery:- Chocolate Basis	G.S.	"	1,121	1,709	2,172	2,664	1,372	1,172	1,387	1,594	1,880	2,506
- Other	G.S.	"	1,589	1,767	1,862	2,114	1,468	1,361	1,799	1,837	2,180	2,645
Beef & Veal	G.S.	Tons	9,499	8,757	9,835	10,551	9,434	11,475	11,780	11,728	11,974	12,656
Lamb	G.S.	"	4,890	4,740	4,415	5,569	7,637	3,709	2,617	2,152	2,176	2,248
Mutton	G.S.	"	6,454	4,311	5,147	6,708	5,328	7,398	6,709	4,374	4,159	3,828
Pork	G.S.	"	897	595	719	546	1,105	818	1,048	1,002	721	948
Bacon & Ham (Cured Weight)	G.S.	"	614	930	850	661	828	628	629	660	676	734
Total Meat (in terms of fresh)	G.S.	"	23,688	19,666	21,271	24,273	24,630	24,254	23,009	20,154	19,949	20,678
Butter (factory only)	G.S.	"	4,718	4,726	5,003	5,292	7,331	5,594	3,577	3,740	2,704	2,279
Cheese (factory only)	G.S.	"	720	1,347	1,529	1,774	3,353	2,364	1,233	1,373	878	668
Processed Milk Products	G.S.	"	..	4,984	5,379	5,708	8,012	5,891	4,306	4,220	3,252	2,795
Ice Cream	G.S.	Galls.	88,801	312,100	321,363	234,389	718,642	842,883	698,008	532,512	264,588	205,042
Beer	T&C	'000 Galls	2,621	3,260	3,663	4,155	4,745	4,665	3,968	4,371	4,426	4,921
Bran (from wheat)	G.S.	Short Tons	7,937	8,812	8,240	6,973	5,120	6,868	6,860	7,229	7,164	7,668
Pollard (from wheat)	G.S.	" "	7,515	9,987	8,222	7,258	5,019	6,413	6,641	7,412	7,354	7,859
Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	G.S.	Cwt.	11,736	30,648	16,241	14,814	4,954	5,230	5,714	9,490	18,819	21,135
Prepared Breakfast Foods (wheat)	G.S.	"	4,053	9,834	10,141	11,684	8,937	9,221	12,037	11,400	11,199	10,657
Edible Starch (Maize and wheat)	G.S.	"	..	6,162	7,514	8,208	5,879	7,285	8,710	8,590	8,188	8,636
Margarine - Table	G.S.	lb.	209,516	175,532	175,417	185,528	67,088	72,128	42,784	67,760	100,467	110,208
- Other	G.S.	"	605,081	732,833	657,954	642,342	331,968	306,208	477,232	499,184	614,544	729,568
Malt - Barley & Wheaton	G.S.	Bushel (40lb)	202,093	269,026	272,558	287,020	277,209	266,239	259,376	296,683	299,648	347,342
Jams, Conserves & Jellies (i)	G.S.	'000 lb.	4,131	8,889	6,314	5,809	6,838	15,825	8,064	5,324	5,199	6,577
Canned Apricots, Peaches & Pears (i)	G.S.	"	7,901	8,671	7,286	7,790	665	10,235	30,435	38,847	15,366	1,835
Green Peas	G.S.	"	80	374	342	225	2,340	151	..	..	..	..
Other Vegetables (j)	G.S.	"	333	701	1,371	1,704	1,761	1,798	2,250	2,122	2,713	3,290
Tobacco Cigars & Cigarettes (k)	T&C	"	634	832	813	850	930	702	892	924	922	928
PERAMBULATORS: (Inc. Pushers & Strollers)	G.S.	Number	1,757	4,375	4,110	3,990	3,115	3,598	4,770	4,457	5,309	5,804
MATTRESSES:												
Woven Wire Link Mesh & Spring	G.S.	"	..	4,037	5,467	5,581	6,628	4,823	6,852	6,473	7,164	8,953
Inner Spring	G.S.	"	639	1,984	3,933	4,783	5,603	5,288	7,598	7,601	7,361	9,173
Soft Filled & Other	G.S.	"	..	8,055	9,889	10,015	10,324	7,574	10,908	10,880	12,579	13,194
FLOOR COVERINGS:												
Wool Felt & Carpets	G.S.	Sq.Yds.	..	55,567	74,629	107,006	109,529	71,991	129,008	120,393	135,114	168,488

NOTES:

- (a) Includes Flakes & Chips.
- (b) Included with "Soap - Household".
- (c) Household and commercial cooking stoves to 1947-48, thereafter household cooking stoves only.
- (d) Figures for 1948-49 and 1949-50 include all motors made and incorporated in other products of the manufacturers.
- (e) Does not include motors made and incorporated in other products.
- (f) Includes carbonised wool.
- (g) Includes women's & children's.
- (h) Included in Men's.
- (i) Includes Tasmanian production.
- (j) Excludes all Tomato products.
- (k) Victorian factory production to 1948-49, thereafter quantities on which excise duty is paid.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

The following is the key to the code of present collecting authorities.

C.&A. Commonwealth Department of Commerce and Agriculture.

F.A. Forest Authorities.

G.S. Commonwealth or State Statistician.

J.C.B. Joint Coal Board.

M.D. State Department of Mines.

M.P.D. State Building Materials Procurement Directorate.

T&C. Commonwealth Department of Trade & Customs.

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